

# T.E.A.C.H. Outdoors, Inc. NFP

## Youth Shooting Sports Application

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Cell Phone #(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Email Address(es): \_\_\_\_\_

Participant T-Shirt Size: \_\_\_\_\_ (Please indicate Adult or Youth Size)

### Archery:

What type of equipment do you shoot:

Bow:	Sight:	Mechanical Release:
Arrows:	Stabilizer:	Additional Info:

### Orange Crush Youth Shooting Sports Trap Team

Firearm:	Gauge:	Additional Info:
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How long have you been shooting: \_\_\_\_\_

What are your goals for participation on the T.E.A.C.H. Outdoors youth shooting sports team(s):

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Office Use	Date	
Info Sheet Received:		Signed Code of Conduct Sheet Received: _____
Releases Signed and Received:	Outdoor Release _____ Photo Release _____	Travel Release required for out of state excursions

## **T.E.A.C.H. Outdoors, Inc. NFP**

### **Youth Shooting Sports**

**Purpose:** Facilitate beginner and advanced education, training and competition preparation to individuals less than 18 years old in shooting sports including archery and trap shooting.

**Cost:** Each youth shooting sports member must volunteer community service time with T.E.A.C.H. Outdoors, Inc. NFP at 3 (three) events per year and participate in fundraising events for T.E.A.C.H. Outdoors Youth Shooting Sports Teams. Parents understand that team members who do not participate in the events above and/or do not participate in the fundraising for shooting sports will be responsible for their child's competition fees, ammunition and clays for practice and at tournaments. Additional opportunities that arise for youth shooting sports that are not part of the T.E.A.C.H. Outdoors original programming may become available to athletes. These opportunities include, but are not limited to youth hunting trips. Costs of these opportunities are unknown until the opportunities present themselves; however, information will be passed on to parents of athletes for consideration of their athletes participation in the additional opportunities understanding the athlete's parents will be responsible for costs. All costs will be outlined when received from outfitters and outdoor organizations providing opportunities for youth

**Benefits:**

1. Training sessions in a fun team environment.
2. Access to knowledge to protocols and procedures of youth shooting sports and tournament style shooting sports
3. Opportunities to learn to hunt your intended species with firearms and archery equipment
4. Feedback from instructors, safety officers and coaches
5. Advice on effective equipment selection, set up and maintenance

#### **General Guidelines:**

Each member of T.E.A.C.H. Outdoors Shooting Sports must maintain passing grades in school to compete in tournaments.

Practice sessions and tournament dates will be provided by Head Coach Bob Wilkins.

Shooting sports participants and parents/guardians will read, agree and follow the T.E.A.C.H. Outdoors, Inc. NFP Youth Shooting Sports Code of Conduct provided.

Shooting sports shirts are required to be worn at tournaments and at the three (3) T.E.A.C.H. Outdoors events which members of T.E.A.C.H. Outdoors Youth Shooting Sports volunteer to participate in as stated above under Cost.

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Jim Smith (Smitty)  
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Congratulations and thank you for your interest in T.E.A.C.H. Outdoors Youth Shooting Sports! You are joining a group of youth shooters and archers who love the sport, want to improve their skills, follow directions, have a great attitude, and enjoy competitive trap shooting and archery.

Although trap shooting and archery are sometimes viewed as an individual sport, T.E.A.C.H. Outdoors functions and supports each other as part of a unified team. Team members encourage and respect teammates while working together supporting each other. T.E.A.C.H. Outdoors Youth Shooting Sports fosters friendly competition in its programming. Due to training and preparation for competitions, attendance is a crucial component to participation on the teams.

## **EXPECTATIONS OF T.E.A.C.H. OUTDOORS YOUTH SHOOTING SPORTS MEMBERS EXPECTATIONS**

Please read, sign and comply with the Expectations and Code of Conduct.

### **SAFETY**

Shooting sports athletes use weapons, so safety is a primary concern. You must follow safety guidelines at all times. You are experienced enough that you will follow range safety rules for each event/practice at all times, no exceptions. Keep your equipment in good working condition. Bad, broken equipment can lead to poor shooting and injuries. If you have equipment challenges, the coaches will help you. Safety is not a matter of interpretation and safety is not a choice. Safety is a requirement.

### **PARTICIPATION**

- a. Attendance: Attendance is pivotal to success. Along with participating in practices and youth shooting sports events, youth shooting sports team members are required to participate by volunteering their time in three T.E.A.C.H. Outdoors, Inc. NFP events per year along with participating in fundraising events for T.E.A.C.H. Outdoors Youth Shooting Sports.
- b. Physical Presence: If you cannot be at a practice, training session or an event, please let the coaching staff know as soon as possible. E-mail your coach right away or call him. Repeated unexplained absences may result in loss of position on the trap team and/or archery team. Schedule conflicts will arise and will be addressed on an individual basis with the coaching staff.
- c. Training: Please respect the time you are training and behave accordingly.
- d. Practices: Practices will be listed on the calendar at [www.TeachOutdoors.org](http://www.TeachOutdoors.org). Additional practice information will be available on TEACH Outdoors Youth Shooting Sports Facebook page. Although group practices will be scheduled, each shooter is encouraged to set aside practice time on their own as well.
- e. Be prepared: Set a great example. Think about being prepared and do it. Dress appropriately for shooting sports. You will have a team shirt to wear at all competitions. Arrive at practices and competitions early enough (before the start time for warm ups) that you have all of your equipment unpacked, in good condition and ready to use so you can get to the shooting line when called. Have all your tools together to help you have a great day shooting.

## ATTITUDE AND SPORTSMANSHIP

Have a positive attitude. Remember that there is a huge mental component to shooting sports. A good attitude and positive thoughts can improve your shooting. Also, your behavior and attitude is being observed at all times by fellow teammates, coaches, parents, family, as well as other shooters and the community. There will be days that are frustrating or tiring, but your attitude and willingness to focus on something positive will help you overcome your challenges. Focus on the fun of the sport and support your team. Although sportsmanship is the responsibility of everyone, athletes and coaches have the biggest responsibility. Please exhibit integrity, fairness and support of other shooters. Show respect to others by being courteous, responsible and respectful.

Parents/Guardians are asked to model appropriate behavior for the son/daughter who participates on the team. Inappropriate parental behavior may be reason for their shooters dismissal from participation.

## INFRACTIONS

As a member of T.E.A.C.H. Outdoors, Inc. NFP Youth Shooting Sports Teams, if you do not meet the expectations outlined above, there are three disciplinary steps that will be followed:

1. You will get one verbal warning.
2. You will get one written warning.
3. At T.E.A.C.H. Outdoors, Inc. NFP discretion, along with the discretion of the Head Coach, Robert Wilkins, your participation on the selected youth shooting sports team will be terminated.

**\*Please note: If an infraction is severe then steps 1 and 2 above will be omitted.**

## YOUTH SHOOTING SPORTS SUMMARY

Attend as many events and practices as possible.

Accept the results of each day of shooting. There will be great days, good days and bad days. Remember that the mentors are the instructional voices for the team. Please respect training time. Refrain from extraneous conversations or distractions during practice time.

Be a role model, not a critic.

If you have questions or concerns, please speak with coaches and instructors.

**I have on \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_ read the T.E.A.C.H. Outdoors, Inc. NFP Youth Shooting Sports Application. I understand and agree with the responsibilities outlined. I am placing my signature below to signify that I have read, understand and agree to the terms of team participation.**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Athlete Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Printed Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent/Legal Guardian Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Printed Name



## **T.E.A.C.H. Outdoors, Inc. NFP Athlete Code of Conduct**

In consideration of the participation in T.E.A.C.H. Outdoors, Inc. NFP (hereinafter referred to as "T.E.A.C.H. Outdoors") Youth Shooting Sports, membership on teams organized, sponsored or sanctioned by T.E.A.C.H. Outdoors, and participation in competitions, camps, clinics, leagues, exhibitions, programs or appearances for, on behalf of T.E.A.C.H. Outdoors, I acknowledge, understand, and agree to abide by this Athlete Code of Conduct, which offers a general guide to our conduct. Therefore, I pledge and agree to the following:

1. I will at all times display the conduct expected of me as an athlete and representative of T.E.A.C.H. Outdoors and conduct myself in a manner that will not in any way bring disrespect, discredit or dishonor to either myself, my teammates, T.E.A.C.H. Outdoors, my country or any organizer of an event in which I participate.
2. I will conform to all applicable local, state, and federal laws and regulations, and any rules, regulations, and codes that may be established for events, programs and activities in which I participate, including those of T.E.A.C.H. Outdoors and any organizer of an event in which I participate.
3. I will act in a sportsmanlike manner consistent with the spirit of fair play and responsible conduct.
4. I will maintain a level of fitness and competitive readiness which will permit my performance to be at the maximum of my ability.
5. I will refrain from conduct detracting from my ability or that of my teammates to attain peak performance.
6. I will respect the property of others whether personal or public.
7. I will respect members of my team, other teams, spectators, and officials, and engage in no form of verbal, physical or sexual harassment or abuse.
8. I agree to wear my team attire at tournaments and at T.E.A.C.H. Outdoors events and fundraisers.
9. I realize that if I choose to take actions other than those described herein, I will be subject to disciplinary action and that the consequences of my actions could possibly affect my opportunities as an athlete on T.E.A.C.H. Outdoors Youth Shooting Sports Teams.
10. In addition to the foregoing, but not by way of limitation, the following could result in disciplinary proceedings:
  - A. Transporting or possessing alcoholic beverages, illegal drugs or other medications or substances.
  - B. Any physical damage to facilities, equipment, furnishings, or loss of items in a room where I am lodged, which will be paid for by those individuals assigned to

The room in which the damage or loss occurs, including destruction of property (including that caused by horseplay, fighting, or willful misconduct, etc.)

- C. Any act considered to be an offense under federal, state or local laws; or a violation of the applicable rules, or codes of T.E.A.C.H. Outdoors or the organizer of an event in which I participate.
- D. Misconduct, including but not limited to horseplay.

We recognize that this Code does not establish a complete set of rules which prescribes every aspect of appropriate behavior.

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Signature of Athlete

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Printed Name

PARENTS/LEGAL GUARDIANS OF MINORS UNDER THE AGE OF 18

This is to certify that I, as parent/legal guardian of the above athlete have had sufficient opportunity to review the provisions of this Athletic Code of Conduct; I understand its purpose, meaning and intent; and have explained to my son/daughter/minor ward the aforementioned stipulated conditions, along with explaining their meanings and ramifications.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Parent/Guardian

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Printed Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Phone Number